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Neal Shusterman "WOWS" Nebraska kids

From the Director, Kathy Tooker
Unwind Author, Neal Shusterman's Visit to
Nebraska

Over 550 enthusiastic students from the Otte Middle School Library in Blair and over 150 middle and high school students from Ralston were thrilled to hear award winning children's and teen author, Neal Shusterman speak on October 28. Shusterman had spoken in other schools throughout Nebraska with the Omaha area being his last stop. His book, *Unwind* was chosen as the One Book for Nebraska Teens selection in 2010-11, a program sponsored by the Nebraska Library Commission. The tour was sponsored by NLC and the Regional Library Systems; funded in part by the Nebraska Arts Council and the Nebraska Humanities, and the Nebraska Cultural Endowment.

Instead of a prepared presentation, the author had the students ask him questions and he responded. Students heard wonderful stories about how an idea becomes a book, how the publishing industry works, as well as the writing process.

His advice for aspiring writers is:

- Write— If you want to be a writer, you must actually write, not just dream about it. Write something every day.
- Rewrite—Shusterman writes the first draft by hand as he says if he enters it on a computer he will rewrite and he just want to get his ideas down. It takes until the sixth draft before he sends it to his publisher and then the re-writing really begins.
- Read—In order to be a good writer you must also be a good reader. Read all the time and read all types of genres.

(Over lunch with a few librarians, the discussion centered on books we liked and disliked and why.)

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- Presevere—He said his first couple of books received rejections notices from publishers, but it was a good thing as they were not good enough to be published but led to the third book he wrote which was good enough to get published. He has written a total of 40 books and always has several in progress.

(He was working on the screen script for *Unwind* as I was driving him for one location to the other but says that only one screenplay out of 35 ever becomes a movie.)

You can find out more about Neal Shusterman on his web page at www.storyman.com.



Kris Pfeil, Blair Otte Middle School, Mr. Shusterman, Gayle Roberts & Wendy Lukert, Blair Public Library



Christine Morris, Ralston High School, Melanie Schultz & Dee Huff, Baright Public Library, Mr. Shusterman, Jonatha Basye & Maureen Olsen & Ashley Sander, Ralston High School

Upcoming Events

November 18 - DIRECT Meeting, 9:30 am, La Vista Public Library

November 24-25 - Thanksgiving Holiday. Office closed

November 26 - Book Fair (see page 12)

November 28 - E-Rate Workshop, 9:30 am. John A. Stahl Library, West Point. Register with NLC www.nlc.state.ne.us/training/train.asp

November 28th – December 9th – Basic Skills – Collection Management. You can register online at the Nebraska Library Commission Training Calendar. www.nlc.state.ne.us/training/train.asp

December 9 - ELS Board Meeting at the Valley Public Library, 9:30 am

December 16 - CLICK Meeting, 9:30 am, Waterloo Public Library

December 26 - Holiday, office closed
January 2, 2012—Holiday, office closed

January 13, 2012 - (snow date Jan. 20th) - Presenters Fair at Sump Memorial Library, Papillion - more information coming! Plan to attend.

Remember that Public Library Statistical Surveys are due February 13, 2012.

April 28, 2012 - The ELS 2nd Garage (Parking Lot) Sale. Please save your discards for us. We have some limited storage here at the office.





In the October issue of *College & Research Libraries News*, **Joyce Neujahr** has written an article on using e-readers for interlibrary loan. Joyce is the director of patron services at UNO and a member of the ELS board.

"For now, UNO will continue loaning Kindles, both for ILL and regu-

lar circulation, as long as our patrons continue to use them and as we evolve into the next transformation—whatever that may be."

You will find her article at:

<http://crln.acrl.org/content/72/9/531.full>

KAPCO Workshop

The Kapco book mending/preserving workshop held last month at Bellevue University was attended by 20 librarians who learned the fine art of book repair and damage prevention. Kary Barth, Kapco representative, demonstrated products and techniques to keep library materials looking good...like using sandpaper to even and clean the page edges (works great.) She gave us another tip that wasn't related to book repair. If you are looking for high interest, low reading ability books for young adults go to: www.townsendpress.com and look for the Bluford series. The books are only \$1 each.



Kary Barth, presenter



Janet Maly, Wahoo Public Library, was the lucky winner of a set of Kapco products at the

Valparaiso

To support their summer reading program the library is hosting a "Dream Big Talent Show" on December 10th, 6:30 p.m. at Harry's restaurant in Valparaiso. There will also be a spaghetti buffet served. They are looking for talent (any kind) to participate. Contact Maria Cadwalader, director, if you are interested—

vallibrary@windstream.net

Congratulations to Andrew Sherman, IT Coordinator at Sump Memorial Library. He has been selected as a 2012 ALA Emerging Leader. The Nebraska Library Association was his sponsor.

The American Library Association (ALA) Emerging Leaders participants for the 2012 class have been selected. Seventy-seven individuals were chosen to participate in this year's program. The 2012 class marks the sixth year of existence for the program. The Emerging Leaders program is designed to enable library staff and information workers from across the country to participate in project planning workgroups; network with peers; gain an inside look into ALA structure; and have an opportunity to serve the profession in a leadership capacity early in their careers.

UNO's **Dr. Becky Pasco** has an article published in the new issue (Nov/Dec 2011) of AASL's publication *Knowledge Quest*, entitled, "Solo But Not Separate: Preparing 21st-Century Library Professionals Who Can "Go It Alone"".



If you are not a current member of AASL, their publication is available on Proquest's Professional Collection.

*Holiday Greetings to
you from Kathy
& Nancy
Stop by the office
for a cup of coffee or tea.*



NLA/NEMA Conference 2011

The following two articles were written by **Frankie Hannan** on two sessions she attended at conference. Frankie was ELS's practicum student this fall. She is working on her MLS and will graduate this December. Frankie was such a joy to work with and we know that her enthusiasm and love of libraries will benefit take her far. In fact, she already has a job as director of Missouri Valley Public Library. We wish her all the best in the future and hope someday she comes back to Nebraska.

Shortcuts to Greatness (Preconference session with Karen Hyman)

Is there a shortcut to greatness? Some would argue that libraries are already great, why should we do anything different. Karen Hyman, who has worked as a State Library Consultant and as the Executive Director of South Jersey Regional Library Cooperative, has determined the essential elements necessary for library greatness. The Nebraska Regional Library Systems sponsored Karen Hyman's "Shortcuts to Greatness," at a Pre-Conference Workshop at the 2011 Nebraska Library Association/Nebraska Educational Media Association Annual Conference. During her presentation, Karen revealed that there are ways to make a library great; she did it with candid stories and lots of humor.

Karen Hyman's ten essentials to library greatness:

- 1) Great libraries have great leadership.
- 2) Visionary leadership relies on wonderful staff.
- 3) Visionary leadership and great staff can create a great culture.
- 4) The library belongs to the customers. Visionary leadership and great staff are there to make the experience that the customers love. There is no alternative.
- 5) Great libraries practice rapid recovery.
- 6) Great libraries know the strategic value of their library to their community.
- 7) Great libraries seize opportunity.
- 8) Great libraries have heart and soul.
- 9) Great libraries look cool.
- 10) Great libraries don't wait to be great.

So what do the ten essentials boil down to? Libraries need great leadership at every level of staff. Staff needs to be warm and welcoming. Library staff must have the vision and motivation to overcome setbacks and to create

an enduring legacy of service for each member of their community. Finally, just- SMILE

Send Many Individuals Lots of Encouragement

Budgeting Your Strategic Plans

Jim Connor, President of the Trustee College, brings forty years of experience in supporting libraries through improving the relationship between libraries and library board members. Jim has served on local and state library advisory boards, plus he was awarded the Trustee Citation by the American Library Association in 200. In his session called "Boards and Budgets: How to Put Budget Figures in Your Strategic Plan," at the 2011 Nebraska Library Association/Nebraska Educational Media Association Annual Conference, Jim outlined the importance of developing a library's budget to reflect the library's strategic plan. "It is a matter of making sure that the community you serve is getting what it needs and deserves instead of what it's been getting." Pretty harsh words, but very true.



As a brand new director, how do I ensure that my board and I work as a team to accomplish the best for our community? The bottom line is plan, plan, plan. Jim says not some flimsy one-year plan – that's just a wish list. According to Jim, the board and director have to figure out where they are, where they want to go and how to get there. The strategic plan has to be based on a 3-5 year time span. How do you determine which goal to focus on? Give each board member fifteen minutes to tell you one thing they want the library to achieve in the next three years. Record the ideas on a flip chart. Next compare ideas – are there any the same, just worded differently? Take a vote on which idea is to be accomplished first and outline a detailed strategic plan and budget. The more detail you have the better to present your plans and budget needs to a city council. By doing your homework, you may walk in with confidence to the city council and say, "We expect your approval." An additional suggestion from Jim is to relate library board action items to the library's strategic plan. Keep the strategic plan in the fore front so that everyone knows what is being done to achieve goals.

Thank you Frankie for your work with us at ELS.... your enthusiasm and smile. Kathy & Nancy

NLA/NEMA Fall Conference 2011

by Nancy Meyer

This year's theme, "Cultivating Community Connections," was especially meaningful as I drove down I-80 late Wednesday evening seeing the dust stirred up by harvesting combines. This year was a bit more exciting for me as I was honored to receive the Para-of-the-Year award from the Para-professional section of NLA. Jennifer Wrampe, citations chair, presented me with a certificate at the luncheon on Friday. By the way, I also won that nice basket from the Para's raffle.



The Paraprofessional Section sponsored one pre-conference plus eight sessions. I was able to attend two of them.

On Thursday I attended "Craftable Library: Turning your library into a handmade how-to-zone." Micki Dietrich, Anna Wilcoxon (Omaha Public Library, and Jake Rundle (Hastings Public Library) were the enthusiastic presenters.



Crafts....that thing that you either love or despise but have to do anyway. After many years of Summer Reading Program planning workshops and meetings with children and youth librarians, I have learned that crafts traditionally have become an important part of most library events for kids. In the good old days, crafts were as simple as a paper plate and construction paper. Now there are websites and blogs dedicated to the crafty librarian. Of course, this stuff costs money, but the hands-on craft we made during this session used pages from discarded books – recycling at its best. Here's Bethany Grabow from Lincoln City Libraries wearing her gorgeous paper flower.

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On Friday I attended a session on Flickr...that wonderful and interesting photo sharing website. Scott Clark, from Lincoln City Libraries, is not only an expert on Flickr but also is an avid and prolific photographer. His life is well-documented.

You can browse without signing-up, which I highly recommend if you haven't used Flickr. But, if you set up an account, your pictures (which are copyrighted to you by default) can be organized, emailed, be commented on, searched, geotagged, and seen by millions.

If you go on the website <http://www.flickr.com> click on *Explore* and then *The Commons* on the drop down menu you are invited to help describe some old and very interesting photos, either by adding tags or leaving comments.



2011 Nebraska Library Association Awards

Meritorious Service Award

Floyd Smith III, Panhandle Library System board president

Mari Sandoz Award

E. Jane Graff, Seward

Presidential Awards of Excellence

Scott Childers, University of Nebraska Lincoln
Michael Straatmann, University of Nebraska Lincoln
Legislative Committee:
Robin Clark (chair), Sump Memorial Library, Papillion
Nancy Larimer, Lincoln Public Schools
Mary Reiman, Lincoln Public Schools
Bev Russell, Lied Scottsbluff Public Library
Kathy Tooker, Eastern Library System
Rod Wagner, Nebraska Library Commission
Ken Winston, NLA Lobbyist
Michael Straatmann, UNL
Denise Lawyer, Wahoo Public Library
Brenda Ealey, Southeast Library System
Gayle Roberts, Blair Public Library

College & University Section Distinguished Service Award

Joyce Neujahr, University of Nebraska Omaha

Paraprofessional Section Paraprofessional of the Year

Nancy Meyer, Eastern Library System

Public Library & Trustee Section Excalibur Award

Bev Russell, Lied Scottsbluff Public Library

Public Library & Trustee Section Advocacy Award

Wilma Eaton, Chadron Public Library

School, Children's & Young People's Section Mad Hatter Award

Sally Snyder, Nebraska Library Commission

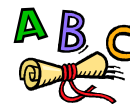
Special & Institutional Section Promotional Award

Denise Morton, Omaha Correction Center

Special & Institutional Section Distinguished Service Award

Laura Thompson, Southeast Community College

2011 Nebraska Educational Media Association Awards



Distinguished Media Service Award: Glenda Willnerd, retired Lincoln Public Schools

Sound Off for Media Award: Jayne Hlavac, Schuyler Central High School

Meritorious Service Award: McCool Junction Learning Center, accepted by Librarian Marcia Clark

President's Award: Jan Boyer, University of Nebraska Omaha, NLA liaison to NEMA and conference co-chair

Also recognized for service to NEMA were retiring officers:
Treasurer: Lynne Wragge, Omaha Public Schools, 2007-2011

Secretary: Sara Churchill, Blair Public Schools, 2008-2010
President: Betty Meyer, Thayer Central High School. 2010-2011 (Past President's Plaque)

Jean Hellwege, Lincoln Public Schools, was honored for her service as executive secretary, 2008-2011.

Also NEMA was pleased to present Mary Reiman, Lincoln Public Schools, with a duplicate plaque for her Distinguished Media Service Award; the original was destroyed in the LPS District Office Fire.

MPLA Awards

Congratulations to these winners of a free 2012 Mountain Plains Library Association membership –

1. Rebecca Bernthal, Reference Librarian at University of Nebraska at Lincoln
2. Gillian Connors, Technical Services Librarian at Union College
3. Cathy Hatterman, Acquisitions Librarian at Nebraska Library Commission
4. Garren Hochstetler, Student at University of Nebraska at Omaha
5. Betty Meyer, Technology/Computer Coordinator at Thayer Central Community School
6. Lorraine Patrick, Reference Librarian at Bellevue University
7. Carrie Turner, School Librarian at Westside High School Library
8. Tina Walker, Library Services Associate at University of Nebraska at Kearney
9. Charlene Wells, Young Adult Librarian at Gretna Public Library
10. Ronald Wirtz, Coordinator of User Services at University of Nebraska at Kearney

2012 One Book One Nebraska



"I Am a Man": Chief Standing Bear's Journey for Justice, by Joe Starita is Nebraska's reading choice for the **2012 One Book One Nebraska** statewide reading program. The One Book One Nebraska reading program, sponsored by the Nebraska Center for the Book, is now in its eighth year. It encourages Nebraskans across the state to read and discuss one book, chosen from books written by Nebraska authors or that have a Nebraska theme or setting. A committee of the Nebraska Center for the Book selected the finalists from a list of forty-eight titles nominated by Nebraskans. After receiving nominations from across the state, the Nebraska Center for the Book board announced the choice for the 2012 One Book One Nebraska at the Celebration of Nebraska Books on October 22 in Lincoln.

Libraries across Nebraska will join the Nebraska Center for the Book and other literary and cultural organizations in planning book discussions, activities, and events that will encourage Nebraskans to read and discuss this book. Support materials to assist with local reading/discussion activities will be available after January 1, 2012 at

<http://onebook.nebraska.gov>. Updates and activity listings will be posted on the One Book One Nebraska Facebook group at

<http://www.facebook.com/onebookonenebraska>.

One Book One Nebraska is sponsored by Nebraska Center for the Book, Nebraska Humanities Council, Nebraska Library Association, and Nebraska Library Commission.

The Nebraska Center for the Book is housed at the Nebraska Library Commission and brings together the state's readers, writers, booksellers, librarians, publishers, printers, educators, and scholars to build the community of the book, supporting programs to celebrate and stimulate public interest in books, reading, and the written word. The Nebraska Center for the Book is supported by the Nebraska Library Commission.

New digital portal will allow subscribers to easily customize public library data reports



The Public Library Association (PLA) is pleased to announce its new 24x7 portal to the Public Library Data Service (PLDS) Statistical Report, **PLAmetrics**

With *PLAmetrics*, subscribers can access PLDS data collected annually (2006-2011) from public libraries across the United States and Canada and then take advantage of a powerful "click-only" reporting functionality that enables the production/sharing of multiple format data reports for internal management, stakeholder relations and advocacy purposes.

PLAmetrics offers the most efficient, customized and user-friendly way to analyze all the data that PLDS provides on finances, library resources, annual use figures, technology and more. Data can be employed for peer comparisons, benchmarking and/or trend analyses, as well as to meet local, custom needs.

For more information and to purchase a one-year subscription (\$250) to the PLDS online database, please go to www.plametrics.org. *PLAmetrics* is managed by Counting Opinions.

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| • Main | Wisner |
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Trustee Tips

United for Libraries



Sally Reed, executive director of ALA's ALTAFF (Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations) spoke via Skype to a group of librarians, trustees, Friends, foundation members and even a

city attorney on November 7, at the Sump Memorial Library in Papillion.

She started her presentation by saying she thinks libraries are at risk now and that even during the great depression of the 1930s no library was closed because of the economic times. She went on to state that library advocates must show their community and the community funders that libraries are still essential; we must show our "public good."

We often use the phrase that libraries are the cornerstone of democracy but for good reason—libraries are critical —by providing free access to government information, life-long learning, early childhood education, consumer and health information, and now more than ever, access to job announcements and applications that aren't available otherwise.

Reed thinks we should tell our community and funders, "Here is what we do and here is why it matters." Ask yourself the question, "If the library was closed how would people be affected?"

Other points Reed addressed questions asked from the participants.

- Fundraising— Never use it to replace the basics unless something like an unexpected disaster.
- Governing library board versus advisory board: Intellectual Freedom—Consider that a library customer wants a certain book withdrawn from the collection. With a governing board the complaint would go through a *policy* review process; with an advisory board the library could just be told by a city official to take the book off the shelf and out of the collection.
- Governing boards gives the board authority over decision making.
- Communication is a must between all involved.

Reed asked the group what they thought of changing the name ALTAFF to United for Libraries. Everyone liked the idea so we will wait to see what happens! For more information visit the ALTAFF web site at [<www.ala.org/altaff>](http://www.ala.org/altaff).

A big thanks to the Sump Memorial Library staff for hosting and helping in many ways with this workshop.

"Libraries have always been there for me. Of course I will stand up for libraries."

Marilyn Johnson

Resources for Youth Services & School Librarians

New Titles for YAs

By Paul Christopherson, Teen Librarian,
Millard Branch Library

A list of new titles recommended by Paul for young adults:

- *Red Glove* by Holly Black
- *Divergent* by Veronica Roth
- *A Long Long Sleep* by Anna Sheehan
- *The Power of Six* by Pittacus Lore
- *Stay* by Deb Caletti
- *Michael Vey: The Prisoner of Cell 25* by Richard Paul Evans
- *Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life* by James Patterson
- *Checkmate* by Walter Dean Myers
- *The Gray Wolf Throne* by Cinda Chima
- *He's So Not Worth It* by Kieran Scott
- *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* by Ransom Riggs
- *Blood Red Road* by Moira Young
- *Glow* by Amy Ryan
- *The Mostly True Story of Jack* by Kelly Barnhill
- *Fins Are Forever* by Tera Childs
- *The Underdogs* by Mike Lupica
- *Queen of the Dead* by Stacey Kade
- *Out of Shadows* by Jason Wallace
- *Withering Tights* by Louise Rennison
- *Liar, Liar* by Gary Paulsen

"Going to the library builds a kid's imagination. Books help them discover themselves and world."

Mike Bordick - Baltimore Orioles All-Star Shortstop

cover images. Visit www.animoto.com/education for more ideas and information.

[Seen in *Library Sparks*, October and November 2011]

Need Program Ideas?

Go to www.programminglibrarian.org and find answers and suggestions on how to do better programs for both kids and adults. One example from a Nebraska librarian:

Hey Kids! Look What We've Got! Effective Marketing to Tweens and Teens

Date: December 16, 2011 With the library taking a much deeper look at marketing itself in order to bring in patrons, this program will look specifically at the Teens and Tweens of the community and present effective means of marketing to them. Since this is a traditionally under served population in the library, we will be looking at what the research has to

say for marketing to this group, as well as our own experiences with marketing to Teens and Tweens. Presented by Jake Rundle, Hastings Public Library.

Reuse Old VHS Cases

Still have a lot of VHS cases around? Try using them as shelf labels by inserting colored paper with your headings into the outer sleeve and setting them on the shelf as you would a book where each section begins. They're easily spotted and moved when you have to reshuffle books. [From Julie Hulbert / Ozark (Missouri) West 7 North Elementary Schools / Seen in *Library Media Connection*, August–September issue]

*Thanks to Paul for sharing this list.

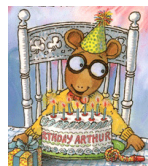
Do Your Own Book Covers

Book cover Creator at

www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/bookcover allows users to type and illustrate front and back book covers, and full dust jackets. Children can use the tool to create covers for books that they read, as well as covers for books they write on their own or with family and friends.

Animoto

Animoto is a digital application that has great potential in schools and libraries. With it you can turn photos, video clips, music, and text into a unique video in short order. It's a great way to create booktalks using book



Marc Brown, creator of Arthur, has a birthday on November 25th. 2011 was the 35th anniversary of Arthur

Next CLICK Meeting—December 16th, 9:30 am at the Waterloo Public Library. Please let Linda Oyster know if you plan on coming.

LOWaterlooLibrary@yahoo.com.

Eastern Library System
Board Meeting Minutes
October 14, 2011
Florence Branch of Omaha Public Library

Board Members Present: Marie Reidelbach, Gayle Roberts, John Seyfarth, Tammy Lorenz, Robin Bernstein, Lowen Kruse, Jan Thieron, Scott Berryman. Ex-officio: Kathy Tooker, Nancy Meyer. Guests: Frankie Hannan, Evonne Edgington.

Robin called the meeting to order. Introductions took place and guests were introduced.

Guest Evonne Edgington, director of the Florence Branch OPL, discussed the remodeling of the Florence Branch and offered a tour after the meeting. Guest Frankie Hannan, practicum student at ELS, announced her new position as director of the Missouri Valley Public Library.

Minutes of the August 12, 2011, meeting were discussed. John Seyfarth moved and Gayle Roberts seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

The treasurer's reports for August and September, 2011, were reviewed and filing of same for audit approved.

Kathy Tooker informed the Board of thank you correspondence from the Valley Public Library.

Director's Report: See written report. Reminders to sign up for the Fall Colloquium and the Sally Reed Workshop were given. Two ELS libraries, Ralston High School and Blair Public Library, will be receiving an author visit from Neal Shusterman.

Committee reports were given as follows:

- Nominating: no report
- Fundraising: Marie Reidelbach reported on current fund raising projects (Book Calendars and Younkers Community Day packets). Upcoming projects include another garage sale. Items may be dropped off at the office anytime.
- Technology: the committee will meet in November to decide on a workshop and topics.

· Continuing Education: The following sessions have been arranged: Kapco Book Repair; Sally Reed (How to Better Support Your Library); Critical Conversations (aligned on the day of the fall colloquium); and an Erate Workshop in West Point.

· Advocacy: no new report at this time

Old business was discussed. A Bylaw change on voting was presented – Article VI Section 6.5: Election of Board Members will now read – Members of the System Board shall be nominated by librarians in the Eastern Library System submitting a nomination form to the System Office. The Eastern Library System nominating committee shall review all nominations and present the System Board with a slate of candidates to be voted on by the System Board. Candidates with the greatest number of votes for the offices to be filled shall be elected for membership to the System Board. Lowen Kruse moved to accept said change and Tammy Lorenz seconded. Motion was carried.

A report was given by Kathy Tooker on the Panhandle Library System. No further new business came forth.

Robin Bernstein asked if there were any announcements for the Good of the Order. There being no more business before the Board, Jan Thieron moved and Marie Reidelbach seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gayle Roberts, Secretary

Next meeting:
December 9, 2011 - 9:30 am
Valley Public Library

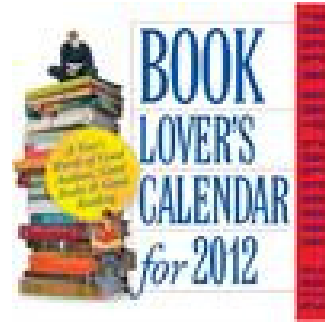
Upcoming Board Meetings

- February 10, 2012—Keene Memorial Library, Fremont
- April 13, 2012—Thopmas S. Power Base Library, Offutt
- June 8, 2012—Annual Meeting at La Vista Public Library

Fundraising

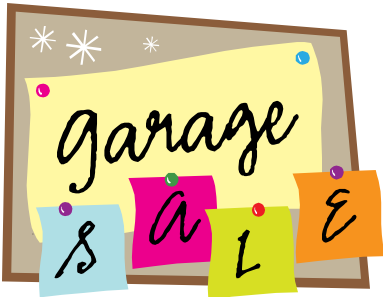
Eastern Library System is busy raising funds to provide better programs and services for its members. Call the system office for more info.

Book Lover's Calendars make great gifts. They are on sale for \$6 each or 3 for \$15.



Barnes & Noble BOOKFAIR

The book fair will be held on November 26th. You'll be shopping that weekend anyway so stop by the Barnes and Noble store at Oakview and mention ELS when you check out.



Garage (parking lot) Sale - April 28, 2011
Weed your stuff and give it to us!

Silent Auction

There will be a silent auction at the ELS Annual Meeting—June 8, 2011 at the La Vista Public Library. You'll be able to bid online too!



Barnes & Noble BOOKFAIR

Saturday, November 26

9:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.

Barnes & Noble Book Store

**Oakview Mall
144th and Center**



Authors present (will sign books)

Don Hickey and Connie Clark - *Rockets' Red Glare*

Joy Johnson - *Boob Girls Series*

Leah C. Hoins - *Images of America-Papillion*

Kenneth Flint - *Fort Atkinson*

Jeff Barnes - *Forts of the Northern Plains*

Scott McPherson - *A Step Ahead of Death*

Paul Hedren - *After Custer: Loss and Transformation in Sioux County*

For every purchase made that day (even at the coffee shop) a percentage of the proceeds will be given to the

Eastern Library System.

Be sure to mention ELS when making purchases

You may order online use ID # 10608164